

Teaching Shelter Dogs Self control Skills

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Dee has been nationally recognized for her innovative programs. She is creative, but practical "retraining" programs were designed and instituted by Dee Ganley who has 25+ years of experience training self-control skills for pets, for competition, working dogs and those left at rescues or shelters. Dee's methods are especially successful for both pet owned and shelter dogs with aggression issues. This seminar covers management and training techniques from the kennel to the training room. You'll learn:

How to help your dog learn Self-Control

Our use of reinforcement and timeouts to teach self-control in every part of the dog's life with us is central to our success. To learn, the dog must be able to think and to think requires self-control.

What is the opposite of self-control? OUT-OF-CONTROL!!! Being out-of-control is what sends almost all our shelter dogs to us. Obedience behavior by itself does not teach self-control. We start with the absolute basics. We use what the dog wants and show him how to "manipulate" us to get it.

- To leave the house or kennel, the door will not open unless the dog backs up.
- To get attention and treats in the house or in the kennel, the dog has to put his butt on the ground.
- To go for a walk, the dog has to walk nicely or wear a gentle leader or sensation-harness and not pull while out walking.

These are not obedience behaviors, they are self-control behaviors - but they are what 99% of the pet owning public desperately wants from their pets.

We train everyone to positively reinforce for calm, thoughtful behavior. We have learned how not to reinforce out-of-control behavior. We know "dogs do what works" and we have found ways to make self-control work.

"Every interaction is a teaching learning opportunity."
What are you teaching your dog?

Dee loves the challenge of figuring out just "who" these dogs are and then finding ways to help them to be adopted out safely.

Contact Dee by email for fees: Sponsor this workshop as a fund raiser for your shelter as well as educating your staff and volunteers on how to teach your shelter dogs those self-control skills that are critical to successful adoptions.
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